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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT

: Letter from

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- I. I concur in Mr. Scoville's referenced memorandum to you on the above subject, and more especially to the latter part of paragraph 2. thereof. I recommend against granting "T" clearances at this time to those members of the NSA Scientific Advisory Board Panel on ELINT collection who do not already have such clearance. I believe the most they should receive in the way of a briefing on "the Agency's ELINT and COMINT program" is the sort of watered-down briefing that could be given to persons uncleared for "T". I have no objection to having this matter brought up before the ELINT Advisory Committee but believe that the final determination on this matter should remain in this Agency.
- 2. If after the new Scientific Advisory Committee has been in existence for sometime the need for more extensive knowledge of Agency programs materializes, we could at that time reconsider this matter.

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